Western Liturgy **(Roman Catholic Mass, Tridentine Rite)**

I. Liturgy of the Word (= Mass of the Catechumens)

A. Introductory rites

1. Introit (Entrance song, antiphonal psalm)

[post-Vat.: greetings, penitential rite]

2. Kyrie (“Lord have mercy,” former Litany)

3. Gloria (“Glory to God,” hymn)

4. Opening prayer

B. Instruction

1. Reading from the Epistle

2. Gradual (verses with responsorial psalm)

3. Alleluia

4. Reading from the Gospel

[post-Vat.: homily]

5. Creed

II. Liturgy of the Eucharist (= Mass of the Faithful)

A. Preparation of the gifts

1. Offertory (antiphonal psalm; modern: gifts are brought, collections)

While Motet is sung:

2. Censing

3. Washing of hands

4. Prayer over Gifts (“secret”)

B. Canon of the Mass
(performed during Sanctus and Benedictus; modern: separately)

1. Lift up Hearts (dialogue: celebrant and congregation)
2. Preface

3. Sanctus (“Holy, holy, holy”)
during Sanctus:
a. Preliminary intercessions (for living)
b. Pre-consecratory invocation over the offerings

4. Consecration
a. narrative of the institution + acclamation (“mystery of faith”)
b. memorial of Christ

5. Benedictus (“Blessed”)
during Benedictus:
a. post-consecratory invocation of the Holy Spirit
b. concluding intercessions (for Dead)
c. concluding doxologies (“Through Christ,” “Through him”)

C. Communion

1. Lord’s Prayer
2. Breaking of Bread
3. Commingling

4. Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)
during Agnus Dei:
rite of peace
celebrant’s communion
lay communion

5. Communion chant (antiphonal psalm)
during communion chant: putting away utensils, etc.

6. Prayers after Communion

Blessing and dismissal

Eastern Liturgy **(Greek or Russian Orthodox**; cf. von Gardner, pp. 91-94**)**

I. Liturgy of the Catechumens (= Liturgy of the Word)

1. Opening benediction and *Great Litany* (Ektene, Ektenia)
[most common phrase: "Lord have mercy" or *Kyrie eleison*]

2. First Antiphon (sung antiphonally)
Little Litany

3. Second Antiphon (sung antiphonally) + Troparion "Only-begotten Son"
Little Litany

4. Third Antiphon (sung antiphonally) + Introit verse
during the Third Antiphon: **the Little Entrance of the clergy with the Gospel**

5. Troparia and Kontakia (hymns) of the feast (sung by both choirs)

6. Trisagion ("Thrice holy"; sung by both choirs)

[7. Prokeimenon (sung antiphonally-responsorially)]

8. Reading from the Epistle

9. Alleluia (with psalm verses; often sung antiphonally-responsorially)

10. Reading from the Gospel

[11. Augmented Litany]

[12. Litany of the Catechumens]

II. Liturgy of the Faithful

1. The Cherubic Hymn (sung by one or both choirs)
during the Cherubic Hymn: first and second Prayers for the Faithful

2. the Great Entrance of the clergy with bread and wine

3. Litany of Supplication #1; prayer over Gifts

4. Creed (sometimes sung)

5. The Eucharistic Canon (Anaphora)

a. Dialogue: celebrant and choir (incl.: “Lift up your hearts”)

b. Hymn of Praise (“It is meet”)

c. “Holy, holy, holy” (cf. Sanctus)

d. Consecration: narrative of the institution (intoned by the priest)

e. Hymn of Thanksgiving (“We praise thee...”)

6. Hymn to the Theotokos (Mother of God; two types for two different liturgies)

7. Litany of Supplication #2

[8. Lord’s Prayer (usually sung)]

9. Communion

a. Communion Hymn
during the Communion Hymn:
celebrants’ communion

[b. Lay communion; communion verse]

Closing prayers, benediction and dimissal